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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

- 1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:
 - A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -
 - (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 2. Claims 1-4 and 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Viloa et al.

Regarding claim 1, Viola et al., discloses a magnetoelastic torque sensor for mitigating non-axisymmetric in-homogeneities in emanating fields with features of the claimed invention including a rotating shaft having magnetostrictive characteristics; and a cylindrical ferrite magnetic core disposed at a predetermined distance from an outer periphery of the rotating shaft and coaxially with the rotating shaft, and provided with a coil having an insulation coating to detect a strain of the rotating shaft on its inner peripheral surface; the core comprises a pair of opposed coil-forming inner peripheral surfaces formed by dividing the inner peripheral surface into two parts along a plane including the center axis; and has, on each of a pair of the opposed coil-forming inner peripheral surfaces, a first coil including a forward current coil and a feedback current coil connected in series and disposed at a same position inclined with an angle to the center axis (see figure 15, or col. 7, lines 62), adapted to flow a forward current and a feedback current, and a second coil including a forward current coil and a feedback current coil connected in series (col. 5, line 7), adapted to flow a forward current and a feedback current in a

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same direction, and disposed at a same position inclined with an angle to the center axis and crossing with the first coil.

Regarding claim 2, Viola et al., teaches a pair of semi-cylindrical magnetic cores (see, for example, figure 4.

Regarding claims 3-4, the coils are connected horizontally and vertically.

Regarding claim 6, Viola et al., teaches the use of bridge circuit (see, for example claim 21).

- 3. Claims 5, 7-10, are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.
- 4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.
- 5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Max H. Noori whose telephone number is (571) 272-2185. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday from 8:00 AM to 6:00 P.M.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2800. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306. The central fax number is (571) 273-8300.

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